HOUSE BILL 4072

By Crider

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-82-307, relative to boards of commissioners of utility districts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-82-307(a)(7), is amended by deleting the first sentence and by substituting instead the following:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the board of commissioners of a utility district that fills vacancies on its board of commissioners by a method other than appointment by a county mayor or mayors on May 6, 2004, may, by resolution, choose to change its present method of selection to appointment by a county mayor or mayors under subdivision (a)(4) or (a)(5); provided, however, if the method for filling vacancies in the utility district on May 6, 2004, was election by the customers of the district, then any such resolution to change such method must also be approved by vote of such customers, and any such election of ratification must be conducted utilizing the election procedures in place to fill board vacancies in such district.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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